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Item 1(b) of the provisional agenda

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ORGANIZATION OF THE WORK OF THE SESSION**

Organization of the work of the session [1]

1. The provisional agenda and annotations for the first part of the fortieth session of the Board is contained in TD/B/40(1)/1.

Plenary and Sessional Committees

2. The Board may, in accordance with rule 62 of the Rules of Procedure of the Board, set up Sessional Committees and refer to them any questions on the agenda for study and report. The allocation of items between the Plenary and Sessional Committees, in accordance with rule 13 of the same Rules of Procedure, is thus indicated in annex I of this document.

3. In order to allow regional groups to meet beforehand, Plenary sessions have been scheduled at 11 a.m. and to accommodate the needs of small delegations, the afternoons have been devoted exclusively to meetings of the Sessional Committees.

[1] As approved by the Consultations of the Secretary-General of UNCTAD on 24 June 1993.

Tentative timetable of meetings

4. A timetable of meetings is contained in annex II of this document. It is understood that this schedule be flexible to take into account developments during the session.

Informal discussions

5. Provision has been made for the meetings to begin consideration of substantive items with an informal discussion. In accordance with the Cartegena Commitment, and whenever possible, experts or non-governmental actors have been invited to participate. These discussions should lead into the formal segment of the meeting, which could then be followed by presiding officers' informal consultations in order to formulate an appropriate outcome.

## ANNEX I

## ALLOCATION OF ITEMS

| PLENARY | |
|---|---|
| 1(a) | Election of officers |
| 1(b) | Adoption of agenda and organization of work |
| 1(c) | Credentials |
| 1(d) | Provisional agenda for TDB 40/II |
| 1(e) | Provisional agenda for pre-sessional executive session (March 1994) |
| 2 | Interdependence |
| 6 | Uruguay Round |
| 9 | Other matters in the field of trade and development: |
| 9(a) | Report of UNCITRAL |
| 9(b) | Market-based mechanisms for the TOT |
| 11(f) | IGOs |
| 11(g) | NGOs |
| 11(i) | Calendar of meetings |
| 11(j) | Administrative and financial implications |
| 12 | Other business |
| 13 | Adoption of the report of the Board |

| SESSIONAL COMMITTEE I | |
|---|---|
| 4 | Trade and environment |
| 5 | Economic spaces |

| SESSIONAL COMMITTEE II | |
|---|---|
| 3 | Debt |
| 7 | Land-locked |
| 8 | UNCTAD's Assistance to the Palestinian people |

# ANNEX II

## FIRST WEEK
(20 - 24 September 1993)

| Monday 20/9 | Tuesday 21/9 | Wednesday 22/9 | Thursday 23/9 | Friday 24/9 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Group meetings | Group meetings | Group meeetings | Group meetings | Group meetings |
| 11 a.m. **Opening of session** | 11 a.m. **PLENARY** | 11 a.m. **INFORMALS** | 11 a.m. **PLENARY** | 11 a.m. **INFORMALS** |
| 1(a) Election of officers<br>1(b) Adoption of agenda and org. of work<br><br>Statement of S-G/UNCTAD<br>Any other general statements | 9(a) Report of UNCITRAL<br>9(b) Market-based TOT<br>11(f) IGOs<br>11(g) NGOs<br><br>2. Interdependence (Opening of item) | 2. Interdependence (With experts) | 2. Interdependence (General debate) | 2. Interdependence (President's consultations) |
| **Sessional Committee I**<br><br>Election of Chairman | | | | |
| **Sessional Committee II**<br><br>Election of Chairman | | | | |
| 3 p.m. | 3 p.m. | 3 p.m. | 3 p.m. | 3 p.m. |
| **BUREAU** IGOs/NGOs<br>Other matters | | | | |
| **Sessional Committee I** | **Sessional Committee I** | **INFORMALS** | **Sessional Committee I** | **Sessional Committee I** |
| Election of Vice-Chairman-cum-Rapporteur<br><br>4. Trade and environment (opening of item) followed by **INFORMALS** with experts | 4. Trade and environ. (General debate) | 4. Trade and environ. (Chairman's consultations) | 5. Economic spaces (Opening of item) followed by **INFORMALS** with experts | 5. Economic spaces (General debate) |
| **Sessional Committee II** | **Sessional Committee II** | **Sessional Committee II** | **Sessional Committee II** | **Sessional Committee II** |
| Election of Vice-Chairman-cum-Rapporteur<br><br>7. Land-locked (opening of item) | 7. Land-locked (Conclusion)<br><br>8. UNCTAD's assistance to Palestinian people (Opening of item) | 8. UNCTAD's assist. Palestinian people (Conclusion) | 3. Debt (Opening of item) followed by **INFORMALS** with experts | 3. Debt (General debate) |

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**SECOND WEEK**
(27 September - 1 October 1993)

| Monday 27/9 | Tuesday 28/9 | Wednesday 29/9 | Thursday 30/9 | Friday 1/10 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Group meetings | Group meetings | Group meetings | Group meetings | Group meetings |
| 11 a.m. **PLENARY** | 11 a.m. **PLENARY** | 11 a.m. | | p.m. |
| 2. Interdependence (Conclusions) | 6. Uruguay Round (General debate) | S-G's Informal Consult. on prov. agenda for TDB 40/II and pre-session. executive session (Spring 1994) | | **PLENARY**<br>1(c) Credentials<br>1(d) Prov. agenda for TDB 40/II<br>1(e) Prov. agenda for pre-sessional executive sess. (Spring 1994) |
| 3 p.m. | 3 p.m. | 3 p.m. | 3 p.m. | **Report of Sessional Committee I**<br>on items 4 and 5 |
| **INFORMALS**<br>5. Economic spaces (Chairman's consultations) | **INFORMALS**<br>4. Trade and environ. and<br>5. Economic spaces (Chairman's consultations) | **BUREAU**<br>Credentials<br>Other matters<br>**Sessional Committee I**<br>4. Trade and environ. and<br>5. Economic spaces (Conclusions) | **Sessional Committee I**<br>Adoption of report | **Report of Sessional Committee II**<br>on items 3, 7 and 8<br>2. Interdependence<br>6. Uruguay Round<br>11(i) Calendar<br>11(j) Admin/Financial implications<br>12 Other business<br>13 Adoption of report of the Board |
| **INFORMALS**<br>3. Debt (Chairman's consultations) | **Sessional Committee II**<br>3. Debt (Conclusion) | | **Sessional Committee II**<br>Adoption of report | |